

Motor Carrier Safety Improvement Act (MCSIA) of 1999		
Requirement/Criteria	Impact/Penalties	Date
Commercial Motor Vehicle (CMV) standards, penalties and requirements	Implements commercial driver license (CDL) improvements and creates penalties for offenses committed by a CDL holder in a non-CMV.	9/30/05
Major and serious traffic violations count whether in a CMV or non-CMV	Disqualifications apply to CMV privileges for offenses committed in a CMV or non-CMV when the violation is classified as a major or serious traffic violation.	9/30/05
<p>Adds two new major offenses with new disqualification periods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driving a CMV while disqualified, revoked, suspended or cancelled • Causing a fatality through negligent operation of a CMV 	<p>New disqualification periods:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 year disqualification for first offense • 3 year disqualification for first offense if operating under "H" endorsement • Lifetime disqualification for second and subsequent offenses 	9/30/05
<p>Adds three new serious traffic violations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driving a CMV without obtaining a CDL • Driving a CMV without a CDL in your possession <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ A person providing proof to the court of CDL licensing on date of violation shall not be guilty of this offense • Driving a CMV without the proper class of CDL or required endorsement 	Adds three new serious traffic violations.	9/30/05
<p>Gives authority to the federal Secretary of DOT to disqualify a state's CDL driver if they pose an imminent hazard.</p> <p>(Imminent hazard is defined as the existence of a condition that presents a substantial likelihood that death, serious illness, severe personal injury, or a substantial endangerment to health, property or the environment may occur</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disqualify for 30 days without a hearing • Disqualification over 30 days requires a notice and a hearing 	9/30/05

before the reasonably foreseeable completion date of a formal proceeding.)		
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Prohibits issuance of an occupational license for CDL operation under certain criteria.	<p>Prohibits issuance of an occupational license for CDL operation when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the CMV privilege is disqualified the non-CMV privilege/license is revoked, suspended or cancelled <p>States may continue to issue non-CMV occupational licenses.</p>	9/30/05
State notification process	<p>Requires states to notify the CDL holder's home state:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> within 30 days of any conviction for violation of traffic laws committed by the CDL holder in any vehicle (CMV or non-CMV) within 10 days of any conviction for violation of traffic laws committed by the CDL holder in any vehicle (CMV or non-CMV) 	<p>9/30/05</p> <p>9/30/08</p>
Prohibits conviction masking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> States must keep a complete driver record of all violations of traffic law (CMV and non-CMV.) States must make a complete driving record available to persons and government with authorized access. 	9/30/05
Driver history	States must make driver history available to other states, the federal Secretary of DOT, the driver, and motor carriers or prospective motor carriers.	9/30/05
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